

Third Floor, City Hall

CM Benson, CW Ward-Pugh, CM Unseld, CM Engel, CM Peden

CM Unseld, CM Johnson

CM Tandy, CW Welch, CW Shanklin

A quorum was established.

Special Items For Discussion

OF RIVER CITY

A PowerPoint presentation and handout were given and the following was discussed:

- These are service cuts and eliminations and will hurt people
- Board approved initial recommendations
- Required by Federal law to have public hearings
- Compile feedback and have final proposal for board meeting on Monday, March 22nd
 - Do not yet know what the final recommendations will look like or if that will be the final recommendations
- Target is for changes to go into effect on Sunday, June 6th
 - Make service changes three times a year: June, September and February
 - The early changes are made the more savings realized
- TARC is funded by Occupational License Fee
 - Last year first year there was a reduction in amount generated
 - This year is down over last year
- Operating budget is under budget with exception of casualty and liability
- Revenues under budget
 - Shortfall of about \$1.1 million
- Able to forestall severe cuts with receipt of stimulus money received last year
 - Used 10% of it for operating
- Fuel costs increasing
- Increase in Public Employees Retirement Insurance
- Medical insurance down 1%
- How service changes selected
 - Preserve service on routes with most passengers
 - 8 routes carry 64% of ridership
 - Maintain core network of routes
- Summary of proposed changes
 - Eliminate 20 routes
 - Many are express
 - Amount of time between buses
 - Changes presented are pre-public hearing
- Fuel
- No route pays for itself
- Fares contribute about 15%

- Possibility of eliminating stops on some routes
- Van pool options
- Circulator buses
- Partnership possibilities
 - School system
 - Car dealership shuttles
 - Do participate in United We Ride with social service agencies
- Impact on employers who pay for employees to ride
- Contract services
- 72 layoffs
- Bus stop markings
- New technologies coming
 - New Radio system
 - GPS
 - Cell phone messages
 - Fair box system
 - Debit card
- Not in this alone, other systems are struggling

Chairwoman Hamilton read a statement by CW Woolridge (attached).

Pending Legislation

[R-54-03-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS CONCERNING TEN GRANTS DESCRIBED HEREIN.](#)

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Transportation/Public Works
Primary Sponsor: Cheri Bryant Hamilton

Discussion: This item was **HELD** in Committee.

[R-64-03-10 A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DENY ANY NEW FEES AND/OR INCREASED USAGE RATES FOR E.ON's LG&E CUSTOMERS UNTIL THE OWNERSHIP AND FUTURE OF THE COMPANY ARE SETTLED.](#)

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Transportation/Public Works
Primary Sponsor: Kelly Downard
 Hal Heiner
 Jim King
 David Tandy
Additional Sponsor: Doug Hawkins

Motion to approve made by Tina Ward-Pugh and seconded by Stuart Benson.

Discussion: CM Tandy was present to speak to the item. The following was discussed:

- Pending sale of E.ON US
 - How it relates to Louisville
- Freeze or stay on any rate increases until future of the company is resolved
- Rate increase would prop up the profitability of the company makes the price tag of the company go up
- Tough economic times
- Recourse if a higher rate is approved and then the company sold

CM Peden asked to be added a co-sponsor.

By voice vote, this item was approved and sent to the **Consent Calendar**.

R-167-08-09 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET CONCERNING A \$973,900.00 GRANT FOR A RIVER ROAD CORRIDOR BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (STATE PO NUMBER PO2-628-0900022397). (Reintroduced 02/25/2010)

Status: In-Committee
Committee: Transportation/Public Works
Primary Sponsor: Tom Owen
Additional Sponsor: Kelly Downard

Discussion: This item remained **HELD** in Committee.

Motion to adjourn made by James Peden and seconded by Robin Engel.

Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

***NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the Metro Council Meeting on March 25, 2010.**

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